Owner may recover the value.

sel, the master or mistress, or other owner or owners thereof, shall and may recover the value of such slave or slaves, from the president, directors and company of said rail road, or the owners and captain of said steamboat, tow-boat, or other vessel, as the case may be, by action of debt in his, her or their name or names, in any of the courts of law in this state.

Exception.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That the provisions of the first section of this act, shall not be construed to extend to any slave travelling in company with his, or their master or mistress, his, her, or their agent, or as the servant or attendant of any white person or persons, bona fide employed for that purpose.

## CHAPTER 380.

A SUPPLEMENT to the Act, entitled, an Act to establish Magistrates'
Courts in the several Counties of this State, and to prescribe their
Jurisdiction.

Authorized to issue attachments.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the passage of this act, it shall and may be lawful for the several magistrates' courts of this state, organized under the act to which this is a supplement, to issue attachment by way of execution, on all judgments obtained before them, or before any justice of the peace, in the same manner and under the same rules as are now observed by the several county courts of this state.

Fees

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That for every such issue, the district court, out of which it proceeds, shall be entitled to the same fees as the said courts are now allowed by law for issuing other writs; *Provided*, that this law shall have no force or effect in Dorchester county.

Dorchester county excepted.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That nothing in this act contained, shall be so construed as to make any judgment, rendered by any district court, or by any justice of the peace, a lien on lands, tenements or hereditaments, otherwise than now provided for by law.

Judgments not to act as lien.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That all attachments hereafter issued in virtue of the act to which this is a supplement, shall be made returnable to the second term of the court after such issue.

Those issued hereafter returnable.

SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That writs of fieri facias, or capias ad satisfaciendum, shall be made returnable at such term of the court thereafter, not exceeding the third term, as may be prescribed by the court, or justice, issuing such writs.

Writs of capias, &c. returnable.

## CHAPTER 384.

Certificates of clerks of S. and H. D.

As Acr to provide for the authenticating of Acts of Assembly.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the passage of this act, and while the general